

## Chariton Courier.

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CONGRESS will assemble a week from Monday next—December 1.

COL. LEWIS BURNS, managing editor of the St. Joseph Gazette, died suddenly Wednesday morning, in the 68th year of his age.

GRANT would not make as strong a candidate for the presidency as Blaine, Sherman or Conkling. He is preferable, however, to Sherman.

THE N. Y. Star says Senator Pendleton's wife has two young Indian portages, to whom she is giving a first-class English education.

THE Dayton (Ohio) Democrat truthfully remarks that "the Democracy have terrible vitality, and fight best the year after a defeat."

Gov. Phelps has issued his Thanksgiving proclamation, naming Thursday, November 27, as the time when we shall give thanks, feast on turkeys, and "such."

T. PENFIELD, for years general passenger and ticket agent of H. and St. Joe railroad, has resigned, owing to some alleged crookedness in the ticket scalping business.

There are two things Democrats should stop talking about. Tilden as the next candidate and Grant as the next president. Tilden cannot be nominated, and Grant cannot be elected if nominated.

ELIZA PINKSTON, the negroess who figured so conspicuously in the frauds by which the presidency was stolen, and the bosom friend of John Sherman, has come to the front, this time under arrest, charged with the murder of her husband.

COL. THOMAS T. CRITTENDON, in a recent letter published in the St. Louis Times, in answer to a communication addressed to him, also published in the Times, formerly announced himself a candidate for governor of this state, subject to the state Democratic convention.

They say Grant is beginning to show signs of the hereditary malady of his family. We don't look for any considerable outbreak of insanity on the part of Grant until after his defeat in his aspirations for a third term, and his present traveling show has been exhibited in the last nook or village of the earth.

HOWARD county holds \$400,000 of the stocks of the M. K. and T. Railroad company. Last Monday the Howard county court received an offer of \$120,000 for the entire lot—30 cents on the dollar. At the time M. K. and T. stock was quoted in New York at 324 cents. The offer was refused and a committee appointed to ascertain the best figures that could be had.

THE Boston Post says even the Republican arithmetic man can not make out a satisfactory Electoral vote for his side without including New Jersey and Indiana. By what violent process does he propose to lift those States out of the Democratic ranks, where they have always been, just to make his political ledger balance? The Democrats need only half management to rake in the states next year.

DR. PRETORIUS of St. Louis, who is the partner of Carl Schurz, and editor of the organ of the German Republicans, thus expresses himself on the subject of re-election to the Presidency: "The nomination of Gen. Grant for a third term would hardly be more pleasant to German Republicans than it would to German Democrats. Both alike are firmly opposed to aristocratic, military and monarchical tendencies, believing that this great Republic will stand or fall with the teachings of the fathers. Others may forget what Washington and Jefferson, what Madison and Monroe said and did; the Germans will not!"

THE St. Louis Westliche Post, the most influential Republican paper in the West, says: "All patriotic citizens look to Bayard with new hope. If he only were not a Southerner. This is the only thing in the way of a magnificent Bayard boom. Still, if the Republicans put up Grant, good citizens will no longer ask themselves whether Bayard was born in Delaware or Maine. Against Grant, we are thoroughly convinced, Bayard would achieve a brilliant victory without great difficulty." This paper is the organ and property of Carl Schurz, at present a member of Hayes' cabinet, as secretary of the Interior. But the poorest fight we ever made was when Mr. Schurz was on our side.

THE Boston Herald takes this view of the Grant boom: "Besides the objections to Gen. Grant on account of the character of his previous administration, there is a widely-prevailing deep-seated prejudice in this country against overstepping the unwritten law of the land which has heretofore limited the president to two terms. Many people would look upon such a departure from the custom of the country as a perilous thing. The bare idea that the interests of the republic depend upon any one man is not a pleasant one to contemplate. In every way, it seems to us, Gen. Grant would not be the strongest candidate to go before the people with, but he may be the strongest in the convention. One thing is evident—the Republican party decreased when Gen. Grant was president, and it has increased since he went out of office. We fail to see any reason to suppose that his return would increase or even maintain its strength."

As regards presidential candidates, the N. Y. World reports Col. Jas. O. Broadhead of St. Louis as saying he believed Mr. Tilden would split the party in nearly every State, whereas Mr. Bayard, Gen. Hancock or any good man would command a united vote. On the other hand he thinks the Republicans could do no worse for themselves than by nominating Gen. Grant, for with a good man against him the Democrats would secure not only New York, but also Ohio. His belief upon Ohio is based upon figures furnished him by ex-Senator Henderson, of Missouri, Secretary Schurz' friend. These figures show that the German vote would turn the scale against Grant. He understands that the figures were given to Senator Henderson by Mr. Schurz, who doubtless has facilities for knowing all about the German vote.

So far as the parties are concerned, their power is about equally divided. It is the great army of thinkers and watchers who make up the majority of either party. Whichever way they vote when aroused, so goes the victory to that party. The Republican party should be disqualified because of its sectionalism. A man who hates one part of the country is not fit to be President over all of it. And yet this qualification is the essential one for the Republican candidate. It has been settled beyond all doubt that this is to be a Union of States, indissoluble and whole. Then why should the North be educated to look upon the South with dishonor and distrust, and regard her people as cut-throats and murderers? The result of this will be that the South will become like a festering sore in the side of a great body.—[Senator Bayard.]

GEN. JOHN B. HENDERSON, speaking of the probable effects of re-electing Gen. Grant to the presidency, says: "The election of Grant to a third term would be a perpetuation of war memories. While he was president he kept the South in a continual ferment, had two Governors in many of the States, and was continually sending the United States troops to interfere with the civil authorities. The time has come when we should forget the animosities created by the war and interest ourselves in the prosperity of the whole country. If this sectional feeling is kept up, another war is inevitable. And it will not be a war simply between the North and South, but a war between the people of all the States; for there are many in the North who would openly resist the policy of eternal hatred. We do not need a military man for President after peace has been fully restored. When Washington had served two terms as President after the Revolutionary war he retired to private life, and for thirty-two years the chief magistrates were civilians. It was during this period that the legislative, judicial and executive foundations were laid, and the theory of the Constitution fully established. What we need now is peace, perfect peace, so that the material interests of the country may be developed and the people given an opportunity to get rid of the taxation and poverty entailed by a terrible civil war. I think, therefore, the re-election of General Grant would be a calamity. The present administration has been one of the best we ever had, and the late successes of the Republican party are mainly due to its good effects among the people; but if Grant should be made President again, I believe the Republican party and the whole country would, at the end of his third term, be in exactly the same condition they were at the end of his second term."

CONGRESS meets a week from Monday. If the intelligent, conservative men in the Democratic party will step boldly to the front, seize the political reins, announce a wise DEMOCRATIC policy, and then with the nerve of true patriots defend it against the villainous slanders of the centralizationists, and at the same time battle and expose the frauds and corruptions—stealings—of the Republican party, a glorious victory will crown their efforts in 1880, a Democratic president will be inaugurated March 4, 1881, and the masses of the country will rise up and call them blessed, and give thanks that they are delivered from the bondage of Radicalism. But it will require thinking men, of nerve, to lead any party to success against the Radicals as long as they control the treasury, and have so much money at command. But certainly there is a God in heaven. Courage, courage, gentlemen! COURAGE. Let Democratic principles and measures be set forth in a few short, decisive sentences, and pure, competent men nominated for office, then let them be advocated and defended with a discretion and valor worthy our sires, and if we fail, let us meet our fate with our faces to the foe and our banners flying. But with such conduct Democrats would know no such word as defeat. We hope to see Democrats in every county, in every state, act upon these principles next year. There must be no more of this pandering to sections, elements, isms—god forsaken, damning policy of anything to catch votes, or "anything to beat Grant." All such stuff is a fraud, a delusion and a snare. The Democratic party is a national organization, composed of a majority of the intelligent, honest, American citizens of every avocation of life, and if we cannot beat Mr. Grant, or any other Radical, with a Democratic platform, and a Democrat, then let those who do not wish to vote with us go to the Independents, Greenbackers, Radicals, or the dogs.

A starved tramp said he was so thin that when he had a pain he couldn't tell whether it was a stomach ache or a back ache.

PARENTS AND CHILDREN. There is a rudeness and a moral depravity painfully apparent in the manners and behavior of the average boy or girl of the period which betoken a grave lack of parental training and home education.

Proper decorum and respectful behavior on the part of children, old and young, are rare and delightful exceptions—not the rule. On every occasion, whether public or private, where there is the presence of children, rudeness, insolence and general ill-bred conduct rule the hour, how important or solemn soever the occasion may be. We allude to this merely for the purpose of calling the attention of parents to an important and woefully neglected duty incumbent upon them. Whatever remedy there is for the evil here spoken of it is with parents, and with them alone. Parents have no right—natural, moral, divine, parental or otherwise—to thrust ill-bred, rude and mischievous children on a community, much less have they the right to vex, annoy, and harass school teachers and Sunday-school teachers with such little human monsters. In fact they have no right to allow children to grow up in any such style under any circumstances. Parents there may be who are incompetent to give their children a genteel home education in manners and behavior. It is a pity that such should ever exercise a right that they do not possess—the right to have children. But the lack of this home training is not so often traceable to incompetency on the part of parents as it is to their want of systematic effort and a proper appreciation of its importance. The want of home training and proper parental care has been the starting point from which untold thousands have reached vagabondism, beggary, the penitentiary, the gallows, and—

The great difficulty, in most cases, lies in the fact that parents begin the training, or undertake the training of their children at an age when the child has already become fixed in his mischievous and evil habits and behavior. Waiting till a child is old enough to train, has been the ruin of thousands of children. The proper time to begin to make a well-bred gentleman or lady of a child, and to lay the foundation for its future usefulness, success and happiness, is just as soon as it begins to lip the names of its natural guardians; and we might almost say, as soon as it begins to cry.

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES. The St. Louis Times has an article under the above heading in which it takes the very sensible position that there need be no haste in trying to determine at this early day who shall be the next Democratic nominee for president, for the reason that the question is one upon which passing events will necessarily have an important bearing. While the Democratic party is in a bare minority in several of the Northern states, and has a powerful vote in every state of the Union, it is conceded that, to insure success, the states of Indiana and New York must be secured in the approaching election. This greatly simplifies the matter of a choice. Each day the questions with respect to which the East and the West have taken somewhat divergent views, and especially that of finance, are coming to be regarded more nearly from a common standpoint. The selection, therefore, of a man who will be acceptable to all sections of the country will probably be much easier made later than now.

The hearts of the people are with the Democratic party on all the great questions which really concern the popular welfare. On the subjects of the tariff and the finances, and of local self-government the Democratic party has only to adhere to its oft asserted principles to secure the majority in states in every section of the country. Let foolish vote-catching expedients be disregarded and the wise principles upon which the party gained and so long held power be everywhere asserted and everywhere the party will triumph. By such a course only can it deserve success.

TILDEN OR BAYARD. The St. Louis Post-Dispatch is a very strong advocate of Senator Bayard as the next Democratic candidate for president. In a recent article on that subject interviews with quite a number of leading Western politicians are given, in which the relative strength of several probable candidates is discussed very freely. In one instance an interview with one Dr. Preuss, editor of the America, a German Democratic organ of St. Louis, thus states the case as between Tilden and Bayard, which we give simply as the Doctor's own views: "Concerning Senator Bayard, nearly all of our friends concede that he is far superior to his old rival in New York in character, standing and reputation. He has cheated no business partner, swindled no railroad, stolen no books in open court; neither has he given or taken bribes. If anything can be said against him, it is that he is a little too independent. Unlike Sir Joseph Porter, K. C. B., he has a habit of thinking for himself."

THE CENSUS. Preparations for taking the census by the formation of supervisors' districts under the provisions of the census act of March 3, 1879, is being perfected as rapidly as possible. Missouri has been divided into seven districts. We are located in the 5th district which is composed of the following named counties, to-wit: Adair, Chariton, Clark, Howard, Knox, Lewis, Linn, Macon, Marion, Monroe, Putnam, Ralls, Randolph, Schuyler, Scotland, Shelby and Sullivan. It is expected that the supervisors for each district, together with all the local appointment necessary for the work of taking the census will be made before the first of January next.

VANITY OF VANITIES. The Greenback party is calling, though the chairman of its national executive committee, a preliminary meeting of the friends of the "cause" to take steps relative to a presidential candidate. We thought the recent elections revealed the fact so plainly that the Greenback party is dead, that a blind man could see it. They not only elected nothing, but they absolutely failed to make themselves a disturbing element in a single instance. The truth is, the cause which gave rise to the Greenback party no longer exists. Contraction is past; times are easing up, and such a one idea party has nothing to live on. The Democrats who have gone off with the Greenback outfit will come home to a man and vote in the next election in the party where they properly belong.

Salisbury Splinters. Nov. 19, 1879.—I have shook off my Rip Van Winkle, moss-covered coat and now propose to step to the front again in behalf of your interest so far as my ability may extend as an item contributor. While I have been silent for several weeks I have not lost sight of those higher principles which every man should foster for the good of his country papers, and here let me say that nothing but domestic duty has prevented your well wisher from exercising his duty as a township reporter.

Financially, it is believed that this township is in a better condition than for many a year. A large lot of corn has been received by Mr. Hall at the Lewis & Wayland elevator and but for the breaking of some of the machinery in the early part of last week, several thousand bushels would have been shipped during this week.

The tobacco is said to be of inferior quality in this vicinity, owing, in part, to the dry summer and in part to the warm weather which injured it more or less after it had been housed.

L. D. Brumhall & Sons purchased of Mr. Meadows twenty-five head of yearling steers at \$24 per head.

We are in receipt of a postal card from Mr. M. E. Hix, of Thomasville, Randolph county, in which he states that his dwelling and contents were destroyed by fire on the night of the 13th inst. Insured in the Lyeomington, of Pennsylvania, from this agency for \$500.

Blakey & Co have bought one thousand head of hogs at an average of \$2.95 per cwt. gross. The same firm have shipped several car loads of hogs and cattle within the last week.

The mammoth building in Salisbury will soon be completed for Mr. G. N. Burras.

Mr. J. Berger, our polite butcher is having a new butcher shop erected.

Mr. Joel Killison, who lives about one mile north of this place, had his wagon, harness and some of the wagon fixtures stolen on last Saturday night. It seems hard that people have to lock up everything they have and then stand at the door with a double barreled shot-gun in hand to protect their property.

Mr. E. B. Kellogg, who has been stopping at Lexington Junction, and for some time filling the important office of train dispatcher, has returned to his first love, and declares great comfort in the animal heat of Roy Hogan, his bed-fellow.

Mrs. Dr. Wilson has returned from a visit to Miss Josie, her daughter, who is at Columbia attending school.

Del Willis has returned from the mountains, and says he is "offal glad to see mam."

Miss Ida Robinson, Mrs. W. E. Harsh and Mrs. W. F. Thompson put in their appearance Wednesday after a very pleasant trip of a few days to Marshall.

Mr. W. H. Mansur's home was made bright on last Saturday by the return of his wife and family, who had been on a visit to friends in Richmond.

Miss Lizzie Wallace, of Howard county, and Miss Annie Jones, of Higby, are the guests of their aunt, Mrs. Dr. Craig.

Gilt edge cards have been passing around town this week soliciting friends of Miss Theo. Berry and Mr. G. N. Burras to call at the Baptist Church Thursday evening of this week, at 8 o'clock, to witness their marriage ceremony, which will be performed by Dr. Yeaman, of Glasgow.

Now-and-Then. Dalton Dots. Mr. J. W. Watkins, who has been acting as R. R. agent at this place for the past year, removed to Sturgeon on the 10th inst. Mr. W. is a genial gentleman, and has by his courteous and accommodating manners won a host of friends in this town and vicinity. We regret to see him leave. Mr. Gregory, formerly night operator at Huntsville, has taken charge of the depot here. We hope that Mr. Gregory and wife may find Dalton a pleasant place to live in.

Hoopingcough is prevailing here and has proved fatal in three cases during the past week, pneumonia conflicting all the cases however.

There are several serious cases of pneumonia in this neighborhood.

MARRIAGE.—On the 6th, at the residence of Mr. E. Williams, in Missouri township, by Rev. Walther of Brunswick. Mr. George Gool, to Miss Millissa Hallett, all of Chariton county.

We were in attendance at a trial before a justice of the peace not long since and were amused at the endearing epithets indulged in by the attorney's. Such as, you old sardine extorter, etc. Happily no fist-cuffs, pistols nor coffee for two, were sequels to the affair.

When we want to see a melancholy and serious countenance we ask our adipose M. D. how New York went.

Miss Jessie Burns left for her home in Miami on the 5th inst. Come again, Miss Jessie.

A Merited Rebuke. Some bold, bad man wants to know "whether the constitution of the Keytesville Library Association requires the board of directors to meet biennially or centennially." The writer affects to desire information on what he would have us believe a disputed point, but fails to conceal the irreverent motive prompting to cast such an unwarranted and cowardly imputation on the prompt and zealous managers of our library.

Clothing! Clothing! This department is filled with any variety of men's, youth's and boys' wear. All goods sewed with double thread and will not rip, at D. Victor's.

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